§1111.7 Investigations on the Commission's own motion.

- (a) Service of decision. A decision instituting an investigation on the Commission's own motion will be served by the Commission upon respondents.
- (b) Default. If within the time period stated in the decision instituting an investigation, a respondent fails to comply with any requirement specified in the decision, the respondent will be deemed in default and to have waived any further proceedings, and the investigation may be decided forthwith.

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§1112.1 When modified procedure is used.

The Commission may decide that a proceeding be heard under modified procedure when it appears that substantially all material issues of fact can be resolved through submission of written statements, and efficient disposition of the proceeding can be accomplished without oral testimony. Modified procedure may be ordered on the Commission's initiative, or upon approval of a request by any party.

§1112.2 Decisions directing modified procedure.

A decision directing that modified procedure be used will set out the schedule for filing verified statements by all parties and will list the names and addresses of all persons who at

that time are on the service list in the proceeding. In this part, a statement responding to an opening statement is referred to as a "reply", and a statement responding to a reply is referred to as a "rebuttal". Replies to rebuttal material are not permitted.

§1112.3 Default for failure to comply with schedule; effect of default.

If a party fails to comply with the schedule for submission of verified statements, or any other requirements established by the modified procedure decision, that party will be deemed to be in default and to have waived any further participation in the proceeding. Thereafter, the proceeding may be disposed of without notice to and without participation by parties in default.

§1112.4 Petitions to intervene.

- (a) The Commission may grant a petition to intervene in a proceeding set for modified procedure if intervention:
- (1) Will not unduly disrupt the schedule for filing verified statements, except for good cause shown; and
- (2) Would not unduly broaden the issues raised in the proceeding.
- (b) The petition to intervene shall set out:
- (1) The petitioner's interest in the proceeding;
- (2) Whether the petitioner supports or opposes the relief sought or the action proposed or is otherwise concerned with the issues presented in the proceeding; and
- (3) The petitioner's request, if any, for relief.
- (c) Petitions to intervene are not required in investigation proceedings under the modified procedure involving rate-related matters, provided that the substantive requirements of (a) and (b) are met.

§1112.5 Joint pleadings.

Parties with common interests are encouraged to prepare joint pleadings whenever possible.

§1112.6 Verified statements; contents.

A verified statement should contain all the facts upon which the witness relies, and to the extent that it contains arguments, they should be based only on those facts. Parties filing reply and